

Subject: Ancient coin collection

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[Seattle, WA]

Seattle, July 21-1923.

Metropolitan Museum
of Fine Arts.
New York City.

Dear Sirs:

If this letter is not properly addressed, please refer it to the proper authority. It is about a collection of ancient, and I believe valuable coins, now in the possession of a friend in the Far East. I have some photographs, and a description of the coins, and when I learn of the place to send this descriptive matter, I will forward it at once.

The coins include specimens such as a didrachme and obole from Aegina, a tetradrachme of Syracuse, issues from Macedonia, Corinth, Istrus, Rome and other ancient places extending back to 650 B.C. Then there are a few rare coins of the Christian era, the total collection comprising about 60 silver pieces and 4 of gold, which according to the owner comprise in one or two instances coins of which there are no duplicates.

There is no question of the rightful ownership of the collection, and there need be no hesitancy in negotiating for the purchase of the lot. Lack of funds causes their owner to offer them for sale. Please tell me where to send description and photographs, and where I might get a catalogue which would give prices for such coins.

Yours very truly,

D. O. Lively
4700 Fourth Ave. N.E.
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August 4th, 1923

Mr. D. O. Lively
4700 Fourth Avenue, N.E.
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Your letter of July 21st addressed to the
Metropolitan Museum of Art has been referred to us
for reply.

We should be glad to have you send us pho-
tographs, price of coins, and any other information
you may have concerning the collection about which
you write.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E

November 17th, 1923

Mr. D. O. Lively
4700 Fourth Avenue, N.E.
Seattle, Wash.

Dear Sir:

Have you heard anything further concerning the coin for which Mr. Newell made you an offer in September? Mr. Newell, who is now abroad, would, I know, be very glad to get that coin of Derrhonici.

Very truly yours,

Curator

HW/E